

WEST BOUNTIFUL CITY

August 2011

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M-F

8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Closed for Lunch

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

On June 20th West Bountiful City was "invaded" by red shirts! Over 500 volunteers from the Bountiful Heights and Washington Heights churches began work on several projects around the community.

Their specialties included big smiles, hearty handshakes, warm hugs, painting, landscaping, decks, porches and generally sprucing up the community. Over thirty hazard trees were removed from 800 West and along Pages Lane.

A video of their efforts and additional information about the projects are available on the City website at: www.westbountiful.utah.gov.

Also on www.facebook.com search **Serve West Bountiful** for hundreds of photographs and comments.

We express our sincere and heartfelt appreciation for new friendships forged, families assisted, lives changed, and a lasting example of meaningful service.



Craig's Corner – City Services a Taxing Proposition

On Thursday, August 11th at 7:00 pm the City Council will hold a Public Hearing for Truth in Taxation. These hearings are required whenever property tax rates are adjusted by the City. The last adjustment made to property taxes for and by the City occurred in 1972.

We have held several Town Hall meetings this year and have received valuable input from you regarding the services that you expect and the things that you would like to see for the City. High on that list is the ability to repair our streets. We have taken a close look at the needs and have put together a 20 year plan to address the needs of our streets. The amount required to accomplish these projects over 20 years is about \$8,174,000.

We have published information regarding specific projects with estimated costs in the May 2011 newsletter and have discussed the issue at length during our Town Hall meetings. To fund street repairs, the City Administration has recommended to the City Council that property taxes be increased by the amount needed to provide funding over 20 years. This amount is equal to about \$10 per month for a home that has an assessed valuation of \$200,000.

Should the City Council adopt the property tax increase, we project that we will be able to see the first waterline and street replaced in Fiscal year 2012. This would be the beginning of 31 projects that are sorely needed and that we are eager to see accomplished as soon as possible.




**PUBLIC HEARING
FOR PROPOSED TAX INCREASE
THURSDAY, AUGUST 11TH
7:00 P.M.
WB CITY HALL
550 NORTH 800 WEST**

**MARK
YOUR
CALENDAR!**

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

West Bountiful City



The West Bountiful City is proposing to increase its property tax revenue.

- The West Bountiful City tax on a \$200,000 residence would increase from \$162.69 to \$271.81, which is \$109.12 per year.
- The West Bountiful City tax on a \$200,000 business would increase from \$295.80 to \$494.20 which is \$198.40 per year.
- If the proposed budget is approved, West Bountiful City would increase its property tax budgeted revenue by 67.53% above last year's property tax budgeted revenue excluding new growth.

West Bountiful City property tax revenue from new growth and other sources will increase from \$548,354 to \$1,016,656.

All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing on the tax increase.

PUBLIC HEARING

Date/Time: 8/11/2011 7:00 PM
Location: West Bountiful City
550 North 800 West
West Bountiful, Utah

To obtain more information regarding the tax increase, citizens may contact West Bountiful City at 801-292-4486.

COMMUNITY BLOCK

Building Our Community One Block at a Time

TRUDI 5K RUN/WALK Saturday, September 10th 9am

Held in memory and honor of **Trudi Thomas**, a young vibrant, beautiful girl who was hit and killed while jogging in January 2007. **ALL** money that is raised goes to a scholarship fund that has been set up at the U of U in her name.



Students who live in South Davis County have first priority to this money. We are hoping to have the first recipients of this scholarship at the run this year.

It begins at city hall, where Trudi was hit and ends there also. We invite the whole community to participate whether you run or walk as a show of support to the Thomas family and education, and remember *it takes a village to raise and educate a child*.

We are nearing our goal and would ask all to dig deep so that we can get there this year. If you are a business please consider donating. All donations are tax deductible and we will provide the forms that are needed for filing.

This year we will have a silent auction after the race and we are accepting gift baskets. So far we have 18 holes of golf at a local golf course, an energy efficient vacuum cleaner, a U of U goodies basket, hair salon basket, just to name a few.

Visit our website, compliments from a member of the Community who donated their time and talents.

To register go to **Trudi5k.org**.
If you need further information contact:
Mike or Valerie Thomas
801-295-5701 or 801-678-9152

SPECIAL THANKS

To Carol Heywood, Holly Peterson, WB Elementary and all who helped the WB Youth Council collect Bears & Blankets for the WB Police Department.

Interim Chief Rasmussen graciously accepted the donations at the June 7th City Council meeting. The YCC wrapped and tied a bear or other stuffed animal with a beautifully made or bought matching soft blanket making them ready for the police officers to use for children needing comfort in various situations they are called on. A total of 59 soft, colorful blankets with 88 beautiful animals were collected. It was a wonderful project showing that the citizens of West Bountiful care about their community.



AUGUST COMMUNITY BLOCK PROJECT

Thanks to those who filled sandbags. It was great to be prepared but we did not have to use all of them. Help us empty them at the WB Park Baseball Fields on Saturday, August 13th 8:00 a.m. Bring a Rake and/or Wheelbarrow.

A BIG THANKS TO

Terry Olsen and the Independence Day Committee/Volunteers
Holly Corp & Lantis for the Firework Display
Willow and Wildflowers Costco York Family Antique Cars
American Cowboy Endless Summer WB Arts Council
Chet Wray Specialty Auto Mark Preece and the many supporters of the
WB Independence Day Celebration

For Your Information

2011 MUNICIPAL ELECTION TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2011

Early voting will be held August 30th-September 2nd and September 6th-September 9th from 8am to 5pm at the West Bountiful City Hall. As a reminder, please bring a valid ID with you at the time of voting.

MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT

Tuesday, August 30th 7:00 p.m.

Don't miss this opportunity to ask questions and learn more about your candidates. Event hosted by the West Bountiful Youth City Council.

CANDIDATES FOR CITY COUNCIL FOUR YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR THREE)

James Ahlstrom	682 N 750 W
James Bruhn	1084 W 1600 N
Laura Charchenko	1135 W 1200 N
Alan Malan	772 W 1400 N
Debbie McKean	1075 W 1070 N
Steve Schmidt	234 N 1000 W
Scott Strong	858 W 400 N
Brady Tracy	1387 W 1200 N

CANDIDATES FOR CITY COUNCIL TWO YEAR TERM (VOTE FOR ONE)

Dave Tovey	2281 N 880 W
Bud Ingles	1485 N 1100 W

August/September Schedule of Events

Tues	Aug 2	7:30 PM	City Council Meeting
Thurs	Aug 5	7:00 PM	Arts Council Meeting
Tues	Aug 9	7:30 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
Wed	Aug 10	7:00 PM	Equestrian Committee Meeting
Thurs	Aug 11	7:00 PM	Truth in Taxation Public Hearing
Tues	Aug 16	7:30 PM	City Council Meeting
Thurs	Aug 18	7:00 PM	Historic Commission Meeting
Tues	Aug 23	7:30 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
Tues	Aug 30	7:00 PM	Meet the Candidates Night
August 30 – Sept 9			Early Voting
Tues	Sept 1	7:00 PM	Arts Council
Tues	Sept 6	7:30 PM	City Council Meeting
Fri	Sept 9		Founders Day
Tues	Sept 13	7AM - 8PM	Primary Elections – Planning Commission Cancelled
Wed	Sept 14	7:00 PM	Equestrian Committee Meeting
Thurs	Sept 15	7:00 PM	Historic Commission
Tues	Sept 20	7:30 PM	City Council – Canvas Votes
Tues	Sept 27	7:30 PM	Planning Commission

**WB Youth Council
Welcomes
Tonya Boswell as
New Youth Advisor**

Friendly Reminder
Please keep gutters clean of debris
Conserve water
Keep weeds cut down
Be the kind of neighbor you
want to live by

HISTORICALLY SPEAKING...



Back to School- August 22nd, 2011

It is interesting to read about the early schools of West Bountiful.

Brigham Young stressed education among the settlers of 1847-48. Some of the young people who came with the first pioneers had already graduated from colleges in the east and were prepared to teach.

A school was built on the Anson Call property where 400 North and 200 West intersect. This building was used for a number of years for public and church meetings.

Many years later a school was built on 400 North and just above 200 West. This school was called District 2. Mabel Walker was the teacher. The *McGuffey First through Fifth Readers* were used. Having to work on the farms in the spring and fall, the students were many years in finishing these books and would be taller than the teacher by the time they were done! More than one child in a family would have to use the same book and take turns going to school. This school was in use for about thirty years. It was later remodeled and made into a home by Haven Barlow.

Hannah Holbrook's early discipline was to have a student stand in the center of the room, toeing a mark on the floor, knees straight, then bending from the waist, and putting a finger on the crack in the floor, then remaining in that position until told to get up!

One history tells us of willows being kept in the corner of the room, and four or five a day would be used, mostly on the boys!

The first school in West Bountiful was located on 10th North on the property later owned by Mrs. Ezra Moss. It consisted of one room with one lone teacher. He was to care for all of the pupils, ranging from young beginners to men and women who were anxious to learn. Schools were not free in those days. Pupils had to pay sixty cents tuition fees. The school was warmed by an old black pot-belly stove. Some people taught their own children at home because the school was too far from their homes.

The second school was a one room adobe building erected just across the street from the West Bountiful Church. The students faced the south end of the room, with two students occupying each bench. The teacher had a huge cupboard in the southeast corner. Its large doors made a favorite hiding place for the boys.

The children attended school three months during the winter. They borrowed their books from each other. Their books were called Primers. The children were divided into grades according to which Primer they could read best: first, second, third, etc. They studied reading, geography, spelling and grammar, writing their lessons on slates. The tuition fee was \$3.00. The teachers boarded with the various families in the community. Some of the boys got so unruly that the teachers were forced to leave. They had as many as four-to-five teachers in three months' time!

When the kids were unruly they were sent to Mr. Edward Mitchell's home. He told the kids they were lucky to live in a free country and attend school. Sometimes there were 14 children who spent all day at his home. They were all given an admittance slip to return to school. (West Bountiful A Pictorial History)

LAKESIDE GOLF COURSE

West Bountiful's Best Kept Secret



Just a reminder to all West Bountiful residents of the great value you have with Lakeside Golf Course in your backyard. As residents, you get a 30% discount on green fees, cart fees and driving range. With such a great deal on golf we are experiencing a number of "temporary residents" so please don't be offended if you are asked for some Identification that shows your residency. We are trying to protect the actual resident from some imposters. **Please understand that the discount is for the resident only.** If you bring **non-residents** to play with you, they are **not entitled** to the **resident discount** just because they are with you. **Please come out** and enjoy the great golf weather this Fall. It is the very best time to play!

And while you are here, **visit the Stone Creek Café, best Café in the West!**

WANTED!

Place An Ad in
October's Newsletter
And get a free Ad
In January's Newsletter
Space is limited
Call today!

Contact Debbie

debbiemckean@comcast.net

or 801-231-8320

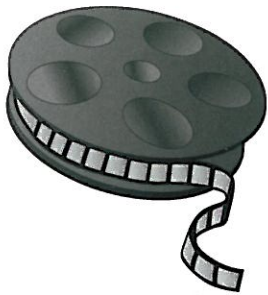
CITY EVENTS

August-October 2011

Movie in the Park

Friday, August 12, 2011

After Dark - City Hall Park



Join us in August at "The Park" for our annual outdoor movie on the portable big screen. This year's movie will be a "Feature Films" comedy, **Slow Moe**, designed to bring an evening of family fun and laughter. To avoid the noise of the trains, "The Park" this year will be near, possibly in front of, City Hall.

The movie begins when it gets dark. However, come early to enjoy the pre-show entertainment featuring **Sherrie Hutchings**. Don't forget your blankets, lawn chairs, popcorn and treats!

Comedic Magic, Cowboy Storytelling, and Muddy Gutter Boys Music

Friday, October 13, 2011

7 p.m. - City Hall

Cowboy poetry, which focuses on the spoken word and works to chronicle life in the West, will once again be the focus of our October concert series. Several of our own West Bountiful cowboy poets will take the stage, presenting their own original poetry along with the works of other famous poets. In addition, we will be treated to a visit by **Craig Dransfield** in his role as "Al Durango", **Steve Ballard** spinning yarns with some cowboy storytelling and then listen to the music of **The Muddy Gutter Boys Band**.



Founders Day Celebration Concert

Friday, September 9, 2011

7 p.m. - City Hall

In September, we'll be back at City Hall celebrating the "Founding" of West Bountiful and the signing of the United States Constitution. This year we will feature our own **West Bountiful Community Choir** which will begin to rehearse August 3 at City Hall. If you would like to join the choir and learn some lively SATB Broadway numbers, contact Dianne Smith, the director (801-292-7777) or Colleen Maloy, the accompanist (801-298-0293). You won't want to miss this Celebration Concert with **narrative written by Eric Eastman, poet extraordinaire, a surprise visit from George Washington or Benjamin Franklin, and a guest appearance of some homegrown celebrity talent.**

FEATURED ARTISTS

During the months of **October and November**, the Arts Council is looking forward to displaying the **photography of West Bountiful residents Kelly and Travis Loveless**, another father and son duo. Our next newsletter will include some background information, highlights and tidbits about Kelly and Travis and their love for photography. Thanks to them for their time and efforts as they prepare to share.

A CALL FOR PARTICIPATION
IN THE COMMUNITY CHOIR

Once again the Arts Council is offering members of the community the opportunity to sing with the "Community Choir." The choir will be performing several numbers at our September 9 Founders Day Concert. We are seeking voices for SATB choral arrangements that will be FUN to sing, as well as entertaining and inspiring to our audience. The first rehearsal will be at **City Hall on Wednesday, August 3 at 3:30 p.m.** The choir will be directed by Dianne Smith and accompanied by Colleen Maloy. Interested singers should call either **Colleen Maloy (801-298-0293)** or **Dianne Smith (801-292-7777)**.



For more information visit: westbountiful.utah.gov (click on the Arts Council Logo)

If you know someone from West Bountiful whose work we could showcase as a featured artist, please contact Eric at 801-292-0664



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West Bountiful Police Department

We receive many calls that start with, "I had my (bike, golf clubs, CD's, purse) stolen from my (garage, car, carport, desk at work). We didn't report it because we didn't think anything could be done."

If you saw me sitting on the other end of the phone line, you would be surprised to know I am surprised you didn't call. WHY NOT?

If we had your items turned into the police department, we would have NO way of knowing that they belonged to YOU. Nothing would match up with our reports – you didn't report it. We would think that we had a crime-free night, which lately has been a 50-50 success. We could have run across the burglars, but thought YOUR property was theirs, because we had no idea it was stolen.

After 90 days in evidence, the property is destroyed, or donated to a charity, or given back to the finder.

If YOU are the finder of the lost property, it is YOUR duty to turn it into the police department. You can request that the property be converted to you (because YOU are the finder) after the 90 days expire.

If you 'find' money, turn it into the police department, if the owner is located – they keep the money. If the 'owner' is NOT located, you can request that the property be turned back to you! No one is as important to the police department as you are. Our job is to keep you safe; we need your help to do it.

You are our eyes and ears when it comes to information. Help us keep you safe by doing just the usual basic things. Please LOCK your house door, your car doors, and your garage doors. Don't give the burglar the easy house on the block. Make it so tough, they have to cruise to another location.

Our economy has been terrible on everyone. We wouldn't dream of taking advantage of others. The burglar doesn't have the same sentiment. Please, if you use caution in your daily living, it will pay off by you NOT being a victim.

Have a fun and safe summer!

TIP A COP @ WWW.WESTBOUNTIFUL.UTAH.GOV